

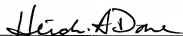
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- ☒ Request for Continued Examination (37 C.F.R. § 1.114); Amendment; Petition and Fee for Extension of Time (37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a))
- ☐ Return Receipt Postcard

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- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☒ An extension fee in an amount of \$120.00 for a one-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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Respectfully submitted,

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